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Scope and Content Note

This collection includes material related to the life and activism of Charlene Hampton Holloway and her mother, Charles Thelma Hampton (nee Whitlock). Material throughout the collection primarily relates to Charles Thelma Hampton's life and work as a pianist, and Charlene Hampton Holloway's activism and volunteerism, particularly her involvement in the marches for Civil Rights in the 1960s, for which she was jailed as a child.

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Biographical Note

Charlene Hampton was born April 26, 1947 in Jefferson County, Kentucky to Charles Thelma Whitlock (1917-2008) and Leon Henderson Hampton Sr. (1916-1987). She had one sibling, Leon Henderson Hampton Jr. (1944-2010), who was a military veteran and graduate of American University College of Law. Their mother, Charles Thelma Whitlock Hampton, was one of few African American students admitted to the Indiana University School of Music in the 1930s. C. Thelma Whitlock Hampton was a teacher within the Jefferson County Public School system, and well-regarded organist and pianist in Louisville for several decades, playing weddings, church events, and fraternal organization events.

As a child, Charlene was involved in the Girl Scouts as a member of troop 201. When Charlene and her brother Leon Hampton, Jr. were young adults, they participated in Civil Rights marches. Charlene and her brother Leon Hampton, Jr. were both arrested in 1961 for protesting. Charlene was only thirteen at the time. Leon Hampton, Jr. received a Certificate of Commendation related to the arrest.

Charlene attended Jefferson Community and Technical College and Western Kentucky University. She married Chester Holloway, with whom she has three children. She is a retired registered nurse. In 2020, she published *Whitlock's Compositions*, a book focusing on her family history.

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